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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Examiner's Action mailed January 21, 1999 be extended for three months to and including July 21, 1999.

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